

**COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**  
**(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)**  
**August 12, 2002**

Mr. Milton Farley, Chairman, District No. 1

The COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, met on Monday, August 12, 2002, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Office Building, 223 North Live Oak Drive, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 6:42 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Milton Farley, Councilmember District No. 1, Chairman; Mrs. Judith K. Spooner, Councilmember District No 2; Mr. William E. Crosby, Councilmember District No. 3; Mr. Steve M. Vaughn, Councilmember District No. 5; Mrs. Judy C. Mims, Councilmember District No. 6; Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Councilmember District No. 7; Council District No. 8 (Vacant); Mr. James H. Rozier, Jr., Supervisor, ex officio; Mr. D. Mark Stokes, County Attorney; and Ms. Barbara B. Austin, Clerk of County Council. Mr. Charles E. Davis, Councilmember District No. 4, was excused from this Committee Meeting.

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, notice of the meeting date, time, place and agenda was posted on the bulletin board at the entrance of the County Office Building and the Berkeley County Library, and mailed to the newspapers, radio stations, television stations and concerned citizens.

Chairman Farley called the meeting to order and asked Council's pleasure on the Approval of Minutes for June 17, 2002.

It was moved by Councilmember Spooner and seconded by Councilmember Vaughn to approve the minutes as stated. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman Farley stated that first on the agenda was H. Wayne DeWitt, Berkeley County Sheriff, Re: Approval of Local Law Enforcement Grant.

In the absence of Sheriff DeWitt, Chief Claude Henerey addressed the Committee in regards to an award received for the fourth year for a Federal Block Grant. He stated they have been awarded \$161,141.00 and they are asking Council for ten percent matching funds, in the amount of \$17,905.00. For the previous three years they had used these funds to purchase equipment and to establish a lab. The primary purpose this year would be to replace their bulletproof vests, which are only guaranteed for five years. It would take the majority of this grant to replace the vests and the remainder would be used to finish the lab and Special Response Team equipment.

Chief Henerey expressed their gratitude to Council for the support in the previous years. He stated they did not include any of the said items in their budget due to the constraints.

Councilmember Pinckney asked was the grant designated specifically for equipment? Chief Henerey stated that was correct because it is a Federal Block Equipment Grant; no positions.

It was moved by Councilmember Mims and seconded by Councilmember Crosby to approve the request and send to the Finance Committee for funding. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

Chairman Farley stated an Executive Session was needed to discuss matters relating to the negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements, and the receipt of legal advice or other matters covered by attorney-client privilege as well as Personnel matters.

It was moved by Councilmember Spooner and seconded by Councilmember Vaughn to go into Executive Session for the reason stated. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The Committee on Justice and Public Safety went into Executive Session at 6:45 p.m. and returned at 7:40 p.m.

Mr. Stokes stated that in the Executive Session the Committee discussed matters as stated in the motion; no formal action was taken.

It was moved by Councilmember Mims and seconded by Councilmember Crosby that the Clerk of Court Personnel matters be sent to the August 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Committee on Finance for upgrade consideration.

Councilmember Spooner stated that due to the grade salary study that is being looked at and should take care of any inequities, she would prefer they wait until this is done.

Upon call for the vote, the motion resulted in a Roll Call as follows:

Councilmember Spooner	"Nay"
Councilmember Crosby	"Aye"
Councilmember Mims	"Aye"
Councilmember Pinckney	"Aye"
Councilmember Vaughn	"Aye"

Councilmember Spooner indicated that since it was the mood of Council to approve that her vote be changed to an "Aye" vote.

Therefore, the motion passed by unanimous roll call vote of the Committee.

It was moved by Councilmember Crosby and seconded by Councilmember Spooner to adjourn. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

September 9, 2002  
Date Approved

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Chairman: Mr. Milton Farley, District No. 1

Members: Mrs. Judith K. Spooner, District No. 2  
Mr. William E. Crosby, District No. 3  
Mr. Charles E. Davis, District No. 4  
Mr. Steve M. Vaughn, District No. 5  
Mrs. Judy C. Mims, District No. 6  
Mr. Caldwell Pinckney, Jr. District No. 7  
Vacant, District No. 8  
Mr. James H. Rozier, Jr., Supervisor, ex officio

A meeting of the COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, will be held on Monday August 12, 2002, in the Assembly Room, Berkeley County Office Building, 223 N. Live Oak Drive, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, following Public Hearings at 6:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**

EXECUTIVE SESSION to discuss matters relating to the negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements, and the receipt of legal advice or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

June 17, 2002

A. H. Wayne DeWitt, Berkeley County Sheriff, Re: Approval of Local Law Enforcement Grant.

B. Mary P. Brown, Berkeley County Clerk of Court, Re: Personnel matters.

August 7, 2002  
S/Barbara B. Austin  
Clerk of County Council